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Offered by:

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*(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedules "A" And "B")*

**"AN ACT CONCERNING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE."**

1 After section 8, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 9. (Effective from passage) (a) There is established the Eastern  
3 Connecticut Family Support Team to make recommendations  
4 concerning: (1) The establishment of a child abuse risk assessment  
5 board to assess and evaluate adjudicated and nonadjudicated child  
6 abusers who are in the custody of a state agency or the Judicial Branch,  
7 or receiving services from a provider under the contract with a state  
8 agency or the Judicial Branch, to determine whether such persons pose  
9 a continued risk of committing acts of child abuse and make  
10 recommendations to such state agency or the Judicial Branch  
11 concerning the appropriate placement and the level of supervision of  
12 such persons; (2) the manner in which a person having reason to  
13 believe that a person in the custody of a state agency or the Judicial  
14 Branch or receiving services from a provider under contract with a

15 state agency or the Judicial Branch, is at risk of committing child abuse  
16 due to such person's placement or level of supervision, may report  
17 such belief in confidence to the Department of Children and Families,  
18 the Judicial Branch, or the child abuse risk assessment board.

19 (b) The Eastern Connecticut Family Support Team shall be  
20 composed of: (1) The following state officials or their designees: The  
21 Attorney General, the Chief State's Attorney, the Chief Public  
22 Defender, the Commissioners of Children and Families, Correction,  
23 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Public Health  
24 and Public Safety, the director of the Office of Protection and  
25 Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities, the chairperson of the Board of  
26 Parole, the executive director of the Court Support Services Division,  
27 the Victim Advocate and the Child Advocate; and (2) a pediatrician  
28 from Backus Hospital and a representative from each of the following  
29 organizations: The Norwich Police Department, the Norwich Fire  
30 Department, United and Community Family Services, Thames Valley  
31 Council for Community Action, Norwich Youth and Family Services,  
32 Madonna Place, Families First, the Parent Aide Program, the Women's  
33 Center and Project Learn. The Commissioner of Children and Families  
34 or the commissioner's designee shall serve as chairperson of the team.

35 (c) The team shall report its findings and recommendations to the  
36 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance  
37 of matters relating to judiciary not later than January 1, 2003, in  
38 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes."